



# Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water

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## AREA MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, December 23**

**Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve**

3:00 PM StMary All Grandchildren

5:00 PM StMary †Peter Poss

5:00 PM OLOL †Judy Torkelson

6:30 PM StMary (SP) Margarita Alvarez

**Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day**

8:00 AM StMary †Ann LaPatka

10:00 AM OLOL †Harold Pete Hagert & Peggy  
Tersteeg-Evers

10:00 AM StClara †Mary Thissen

**Thursday, December 26 - No Mass**

**Friday, December 27 - No Mass**

**Saturday, December 28**

4:30 PM StMary †Shannon Bolter

6:00 PM StMary (SP) †Irineo Lopez

**Sunday, December 29**

8:00 AM StClara Living & Deceased grandchildren  
of Brian & Eva Priebe

9:00 AM StMary †Lance Steffen

10:00 AM OLOL †Randy Nissen

**Monday, December 30**

**Tuesday, December 31 - Mary, Mother of God Vigil**

4:00 PM OLOL †Frank, Sr. & Mary Plotnik

4:30 PM StMary †Len Matthys (KC)

**Wednesday, January 1 - Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

8:30 AM StClara †Heidi & Don Anderson

10:00 AM StMary †Joel Hansen (KC)

**Thursday, January 2**

Bethesda Grand **No Mass**

Clara City Care Center **No Mass**

**Friday, January 3**

8:30 AM OLOL For the People

12:00 PM StMary †Elaine Frank

**Saturday, January 4**

4:30 PM StMary D of I Mass for Peace

6:00 PM StMary (SP) For the People

**Sunday, January 5**

8:00 AM StClara †Lindy Paradee

9:00 AM StMary †John Braun

10:00 AM OLOL †Dick & Diane Meier

### A Christmas Wish:



As the age-old story of Christmas is told and experienced again this year, let us seize this moment to give birth to the playful, joyful and loving child within us who says repeatedly; "do it again", all the while allowing ourselves to be vessels of peace, hope and love in our homes, workplaces, schools and communities. May the gift of faith, the blessing of hope and the promise of peace be with you and those you love throughout this Christmas Season and the New Year!

*Fr. Ron, Fr. Josh and the Area Staff*

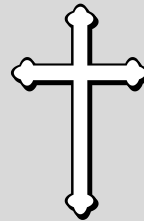


### CHRISTMAS EVE

#### Prelude Music - Christmas Eve

Church of St. Mary: 2:30 pm and 4:30 pm

Our Lady of the Lakes: 4:45pm



In your prayers please remember those who have recently died.

†Tom Olson, husband of Deb Olson  
(StMary)

Our sympathy goes out to the family.

### The Fourth Sunday of the Season of Advent & Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph December 15, 2024 & December 29, 2024

*Give thanks to the Lord,  
Call on His Name!*

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## AFC Office Closed - AFC Office Closed

7:00 PM Christmas Eve Musicians Rehearsal (StMary)

## Tuesday, December 24 - AFC Office Closed

2:00 PM Common Threads

4:15 PM Bell Choir & Adult Choir (StMary)

## Wednesday, December 25 - AFC Office Closed

## Thursday, December 26 - AFC Office Closed

## Friday, December 27

## Saturday, December 28

3:45 PM Confessions (StMary)

4:00 PM Rosary (StMary)

6:45 PM Spanish RCIA (StMary)

## Sunday, December 29

7:30 AM Confessions (StClara)

9:00 AM Mission Circle Coffee & Rolls (StClara)

9:30 AM 5th Sunday Rosary (OLOL)

10:00 AM KC Coffee & Rolls (StMary)

## Monday, December 30

9:30 AM Bible Study (OLOL)

7:00 PM KC Officer Meeting (OLOL)

## Tuesday, December 31

6:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group (StMary)

## Wednesday, January 1 - AFC Office Closed

## Thursday, January 2 - AFC Office Closed

## Friday, January 3

12:00 PM Adoration (StMary)

7:00 PM Spanish Adoration (StMary)

## Saturday, January 4

3:45 PM Confessions (StMary)

4:00 PM Rosary (StMary)

5:30 PM Prayer Team (StMary)

6:45 PM Spanish Baptism Prep (StMary)

6:45 PM Spanish RCIA (StMary)

## Sunday, January 5

7:30 AM Confessions (StClara)

8:00 AM Adult Choir (StMary)

9:00 AM Mission Circle Coffee & Rolls (StClara)

10:00 AM Prayer Team (StMary)

## Tuesday's Table

There is no Tuesday's Table for the month of January.

## Pastor's NOTES

**PASTOR NOTES:** The Feast of Christmas is upon us and we hear at the Christmas Mass Readings from Luke's Gospel, "Do not be afraid; for behold I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people... a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord." We celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. May the blessing of Christmas be upon all you and a Happy New Year 2025.

Thank you to all who have blessed my life with cards, kind words, and gifts this Christmas.

Please refer to the daily Mass schedule listed in the bulletin for the next two weeks' Masses.

Fr. Ronald Huberty



## Office Closed

The AFC Office will be closed in observance of Christmas and New Years from December 23 to December 26 and January 1 & January 2.



## Faith Formation

### AFC No Faith Formation Classes

Wednesday, December 25

Sunday, December 29

Wednesday, January 1

Sunday, January 5

No weekly email will be sent out during these weeks.  
Next weekly email will be on Monday, January 6.

The Area Faith Formation staff wishes all of our families a safe, healthy and blessed Christmas break!



## St. Mary Family Meal

Wednesday, January 8

4:30 PM - 6:45 PM

All are welcome!

## Our Lady of the Lakes Family Meal

Wednesday, January 8

4:30 PM - 6:45 PM

All are welcome!